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In re Application of:

Yunhua N. Jeng Kanaiyalal R. Patel

Serial No.: 09/891,445

Filed: June 26, 2001

For: NON-AQUEOUS SURFACTANT-CONTAINING FORMULATIONS FOR EXTENDED RELEASE OF SOMATOTROPIN

1,445 Examiner: To be assigned

Atty. Dkt. No.: 11916.0048.NPUS00

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RESPONSE TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) NOTICE

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f), dated August 29, 2001, there are enclosed herewith:

- (a) Declaration executed on behalf of Yunhua N. Jeng and Kanaiyalal R. Patel;
- (b) A Power of Attorney on behalf of MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC; and
- (c) A copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted.

The Commissioner is authorized to withdraw a fee in the amount of \$1530 to cover the basic filing fee (\$740 - utility large entity); surcharge for late filing (\$130); additional claims fee (a

total of \$660, which includes: \$306 for 17 total claims, over 20; \$84 for 1 independent claim over 3 and a \$270 multiple dependent claim surcharge), from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11916.0048.NPUS00

Filed herewith is a copy of the filing receipt which updates the original filing receipt by providing the residence of the Applicants. Accordingly, Applicants request a corrected filing receipt.

Also filed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form-1449, and the listed references.

An Assignment to MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC and a authorization for the Commissioner to withdraw the \$40.00, required for the recordation of the assignment, from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11916.0048.NPUS00 is being filed under separate cover.

Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11916.0048.NPUS00.

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Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$-749 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27). ♦ 140
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$656.

- \$306 for 12 total claims over 20.
- \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3. \$270 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
 - A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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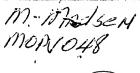
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